

Valerie CAPERS



“What comes across most audibly in Ms. Capers’ work is a pure, almost childlike delight in making music, so great and so infectious that questions of technique and style are rendered all but irrelevant.”

DENVER POST

“Miss Capers’ playing has the same positive, full-bodied, swinging attack that Mary Lou Williams had — combined with a sensitivity that enables her to draw on her broad background with imaginative selectivity.”

THE NEW YORK TIMES

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“Achieving the elusive combination of emotion and technique is the dream of any serious jazz musician. The Valerie Capers Trio demonstrates that rare balance...”

RICHMOND NEWS

“... the trio of the pianist Valerie Capers was one of the revelations of the beginning of the festival ...”

GRANDE PARADE DU JAZZ
Nice, France

“... Miss Capers' creativity brings a fresh dimension to the familiar jazz and popular music repertoire...”

OTTAWA CITIZEN

“Miss Capers' playing is tasteful and reflective ...”

HIGH FIDELITY MAGAZINE

“Miss Capers is an exuberant woman who obviously communicates her bubbling enthusiasm to her musicians ...”

THE NEW YORK TIMES

She's a pianist. She's a composer. She's an educator. She's Valerie Capers, one of the hottest jazz musicians of our time. An accomplished musician, composer/arranger and performer, Valerie has worked with some of the biggest names in jazz--from Dizzy Gillespie to Wynton Marsalis.

Valerie earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from the Juilliard School of Music--and was the first blind graduate of the prestigious institute. Her brother, the late Bobby Capers, inspired and encouraged her to pursue the jazz discipline.

This super-talented musician has won national and international acclaim for her performances. Essence Magazine lauded Valerie for her contributions by making her the first recipient of the “Woman Of Essence” Award In Music. She shared this recognition with celebrities Oprah Winfrey and Marla Gibbs.

Dedicated to education, Valerie spends a great deal of her time lecturing and conducting workshops at colleges and universities throughout the country. She also serves on the Board of Directors for several music ensemble companies.

Available for concerts, composing/arranging, nightclubs, lectures and workshops.

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